

REMARKS

Claims 75-133 are now pending in the patent application.

In response to an office action mailed 5 April 2007, the application was amended to place it in condition for allowance by amending the limitations of claims indicated to be allowable consistent with the recommendation of the Patent Office. In the instant action, the allowability of the previously objected to claims has been withdrawn. Because of this, all the pending claims have been cancelled, and a new set of claims have been added to start the process over again. The withdrawn claims are also eliminated from the present claim set.

Claim 75 (which corresponds to claim 1 as originally filed) has been re-drafted to recite that the method features dynamically changing a ticket characteristic of the active ticket provided by the mobile terminal based on one or more states in a life cycle of the active ticket.

To the extent that the outstanding rejection might be applied to the pending dependent claims, it is respectfully traversed because the proposed combination does not teach or suggest a method featuring dynamically changing a ticket characteristic of an active ticket provided by the mobile terminal based on one or more states in a life cycle of the active ticket, as claimed.

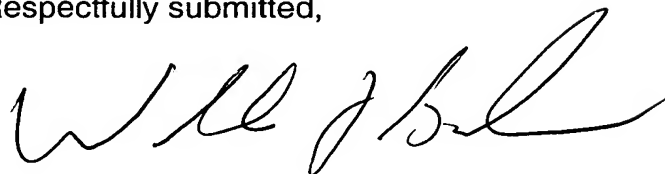
In contrast, both Lee (paragraph 39) and Izumoto disclose techniques for issuing an IC card (see Lee, element 13 (Figure 1)) containing ticket information with an IC reader/recorder. In Lee, the IC card 13 is inserted into a ticket dispenser 30 and a paper ticket is issued.

It is respectfully submitted that neither Lee's user terminal 20 nor Izumoto' user terminal 1 provides an active ticket that dynamically changes, as claimed. In contrast, Lee's user terminal 20 merely sends information to the IC card reader/recorder 40 for providing the IC card 13.

The other pending independent claims have similar limitations; and the remaining claims depend directly or indirectly from the main independent claims, contain all the limitations thereof, and are deemed patentable for all the same reasons.

Reconsideration and early allowance are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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